

CITY NEWS AND GOSSIP.

Fifty-one Names Have Been Secured for the Proposed Chamber of Commerce.

How Two Old Friends Met for the First Time in Years.

The State Board of Equalization and the County Commissioners Met Yesterday in the Court House.

Fifty-one names have been secured towards the new chamber of commerce, and each signer has paid a \$100 guarantee payment, which amounts to \$5,100 already in hand. It is proposed by the promoters of the chamber of commerce to secure 100 members, each paying \$500 for membership; all moneys to be raised in this manner to be devoted solely to the building fund. These 100 members are to control the policy of the organization and own the building, etc. Those who desire to benefit by the organization, but are not fortunate enough to be among the 100, can, by paying an annual fee of say \$20, enjoy all the minor privileges. There is to be no board of directors, each member having a vote upon all propositions coming before the chamber, doing away with any chance for snap judgments by cliques. This is considered by every one as one of the strong points of the organization. There will be plenty of committees to do the work. Twenty or twenty-five will constitute a quorum. The desire is to organize under the patronage of main scheme to have a mining exchange; carpenters and builders, architects and other guilds that will be the means of drawing together the interests of the whole community. Here is the complete list of subscribers to date:

H. M. Parson, C. A. Broadwater, William A. Chessman, E. W. Knight, John Steinhart, C. K. Cole, E. W. Bach, A. J. Seligman, John W. Thompson, R. H. Floyd-Jones, A. J. Davidson, Frank Langford, T. H. Kienelmeid, William Harrison, D. J. Welch, E. C. Richards, John S. M. Neill, Donald Bradford, F. R. Wallace, S. E. Atkinson, A. W. Lyman, Dr. William Tracey, L. G. Phelps, G. M. Hoffaker, F. S. P. Lindsey, F. J. Shaffer, Joseph Davis, R. W. S. Folk, J. S. Paulson, E. W. Beattie, E. D. Edgerston, C. W. Benson, George H. Platt, Oscar Bradford, Henry S. Amos, D. A. Cory, H. W. Child, W. B. Edgar, J. J. Pant, Dr. Baldwin, C. S. Jackson, Henry Klein, Nick Roseler, M. A. Meyendorff, T. C. Power, Sam Schwab, Richard Lockey.

E. J. Leonard, M. D., Chicago, is among the names registered in yesterday's arrivals at the Grand Central. While the gentleman was standing at the clerk's desk some one incidentally called out to John Rohrbach, the head clerk. "Rohrbach," quietly mused the newly arrived M. D., and addressing his remarks to John, said: "Your name is Rohrbach, is it not? I once knew a family of Rohrbachs in 1864, and particularly a young lad." "Yes, sir," replied John, growing interested. "And I particularly remember having seen him at the Army Square hospital in Washington, D. C." This was sufficient for Rohrbach, who broke out: "Shake; I'm the same Rohrbach." And the two gentlemen, who had not seen each other in a quarter of a century, had a long talk over former days. Dr. Leonard is a dentist and surgeon.

Nellie Forrest, the woman who was taken to the police station a few days ago, was visited yesterday by Mrs. Mason and Mrs. Ledley, of the Workingwomen's Home. The girl is without friends or funds and came here to take a situation with a Helena family. She seems to be out of her mind and suffering mentally and became very sick after being placed in the jail. She was arrested because she was roaming around the streets without any place to go to. The ladies yesterday removed her to the Workingwomen's Home, where she will receive proper care and medical treatment.

The state board of equalization met yesterday in the governor's office. The board consists of the governor, the attorney-general, the auditor and treasurer and the secretary of state. All were present at yesterday's meeting. The business was the discussion and preparation of a code of rules for the government of the board.

The county commissioners met again yesterday at their room in the court house. Nothing was done aside from auditing the accounts of County Treasurer Barden. The board will meet again to-day.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Eating apples are scarce in town, but good oranges are plentiful.

A. E. Miller has been appointed a notary public in Silver Bow county.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to Thomas W. Jones and Kate Lloyd, of Elliston.

Lucien B. Bailey has located the Jay Gould lode in an unorganized mining district in Lewis and Clarke county.

F. Sawyer, formerly of Butte, has succeeded S. F. Shannon, resigned, as local freight agent of the Montana Central.

The special meeting of the Helena prohibition club called for this evening is postponed to one week from Thursday evening.

The ladies of the Turn Verein will give a grand domino party at Turner hall next Saturday night. This party will close the season.

Complaints have been issued in the district court in the cases of Fraser & Shephard vs. Charles Jeffers and Joseph Kench vs. Oliver C. Rinker.

Miss Woodman who was injured in a runaway on Saturday is convalescent and will soon be about. Miss Robinson has resumed her duties in the school.

Frank Farmer and Fred Morant have filed notice of the location of the Morant fraction lode in an unorganized mining district in Lewis and Clarke county.

Mr. T. O. Dams, of this city, has lately received from Pittsburgh, Pa., an Arion harp zither. The instrument is said to be far superior to the ordinary zither, with a tone as loud and strong as a full-sized harp.

The Jury Sets Ledney Free.

Camden, N. J., March 3.—There was great excitement in the court room to-day when Prosecutor Jenkins, in the middle of a powerful speech closing the trial of Chalky Ledney, for the murder of his niece, was prostrated by an attack of heart failure. Physicians announced it was not serious, and the court took a recess. Later the prosecutor agreed to let the case go to the jury on the charge of the court. Judge Garrison charged wilful premeditation was not proved, and a verdict of murder in the first degree should not be rendered. He said verdict of either second degree, manslaughter or acquittal would lay. At 12:25 the jury retired, and at 3:25 returned with a verdict of not guilty.

NO STRIKE AT GRANITE.

The Miners' Union and the Big Company Adjust All Differences.

Butte, Feb. 3.—[Special].—For several weeks past there has been serious trouble between the Miners' union of Granite and the Granite Mountain company, and a strike has been considered inevitable. The trouble arose from a disagreement of the officers of the miners' union and Superintendent Weir, of the Granite Mountain. The latter refused the secretary of the union admission to the hoisting works for the purpose of soliciting miners to join the union. Matters went to such a length that President Ramsey, Vice-President Ewing and Secretary Fusz were telegraphed for and came out from St. Louis. The Granite union is a foster child of the Butte Miners' union. Last Friday Patrick Boland was appointed arbitrator of the difficulties and sent over to Granite. He returned to-day, after a two days' session with the officers of the company, and announced that all difficulties had been amicably adjusted, and trouble averted. Mr. Boland's conference was direct with officers of the company, and as a result everything claimed by the union was conceded. President Ramsey defined the policy of the company fully. He said that in the future the company would not care who were union men and who were not; the secretary of the union might use all lawful means and opportunities to induce miners to join the union, and that no inducements would be held out by the company to any miner not to join the union. President Ramsey said the company would see to it that this policy was carried out, and if Supt. Weir did not enforce it the company would find a superintendent who would. All difficulties are thus satisfactorily adjusted, and the greatest credit is due not only to Mr. Boland, who managed the negotiations with conservatism and great discretion, but also to Mr. James Gillfillan, president of the Granite miners' union, whose conduct has been most admirable.

THROUGH THE CANON.

Exciting and Perilous Trip of Railroad Surveyors.

PEACH SPRINGS, ARIZ., March 3.—Chief Engineer Stanton and his party of railroad surveyors reached the mouth of Diamond Creek, twenty-five miles below this place, March 1. Everyone in the party is perfectly well, not having had any serious accident of any kind since that to Photographer Nims on Jan. 1. The trip through the Grand Canon of the Colorado has been one of much danger and excitement, but has been so far successful in every way. On boat was lost while letting it down a fall, but no one was in it. After that the chief boatman in charge of the fleet descended the party. In running one rapid Mr. Hislop was thrown out of his boat, but his life preserver kept him up till he was picked up further down. A sudden rise in the river last week of ten feet made a two days' ride through the narrowest and crookedest part of the canon wildly exciting and perilous. Every one, however, came through without a scratch. The party will be here a few days to get a new supply before going further.

THE GERMAN ELECTIONS.

Second Ballots Show the Strength of the Socialist Element.

BERLIN, March 3.—Returns have been received from all the districts in which second ballots for members were held, with the exception of 25. These returns, together with the returns in those districts where an election occurred on the first ballot, show the election of 106 members of the center party, 71 German liberal democrats, 62 conservatives, 39 national liberals and 35 socialists. When the result of the second ballot was announced at Dortmund the socialists engaged in a riot. When the police attempted to disperse them they were stoned. The police then charged the rioters with drawn swords and scattered the crowd. Thirty rioters were arrested. In the lower house of the landtag to-day the Prussian minister of justice announced that initial steps would be taken for the introduction of a new civil code law.

A ROTHSCHILD IN THE RACE.

George Francis Train to Have a Competitor in His World Tour.

SEATTLE, March 3.—People of Port Townsend have raised a purse to send Regina Rothschild, a young lady born and raised in that city, around the world, to beat Citizen George Francis Train, who is being sent out by Tacoma. Train goes westward, and will return from New York to Tacoma on a special train over the Northern Pacific. Miss Rothschild goes in an opposite direction in a special train over the Canadian Pacific. This latter company will delay the regular boat leaving Yokohama, and bring her direct to Cape Flattery, where a tug will take her direct to Port Townsend. Citizen Train declares he will make the trip in thirty days. The Port Townsend girl will try hard to make it in less than sixty days. The Canadian Pacific has taken so much interest in the matter that this race around the world will be in the nature of a contest between those great railroads. Regina Rothschild is about 21 years old, the daughter of the late "Baron" Rothschild, a pioneer merchant of Puget Sound. She is a beautiful and popular young lady.

PERSONAL.

S. P. Read left for Philadelphia yesterday via the Northern Pacific.

Henry Bratnaber and Neil Vawter returned yesterday from Elkhorn.

Miss Anna Longmaid is visiting Helena, the guest of Mrs. C. D. Greenfield.

Mrs. B. C. Brooks has just returned from Butte, accompanied by Mrs. Judge A. H. Barrett, who is the guest of the former.

Yesterday's arrivals at Hahn & Walter's Montana Business college were Misses Alice Kanouse, Genevieve Roberts, Rose Payette, Agnes Roberts and Mr. Frank Woody.

The many friends of W. D. Weir will be pleased to learn that he is able to be out on the street again. He has been confined to his room for the past four weeks with a severe attack of la grippe.

Miss Clara Engel, the sweet singer and soprano of the Helena Thalia society, went to Butte Sunday to take part in the Turn Verein entertainment given there Sunday night. Miss Engel secured a great success and made many friends who hoped to see her soon again. She returned to the capital last evening.

Godas Is Dead.

DEER LODGE, March 3.—[Special].—Geo. Godas, the half-breed Indian convicted in Lewis and Clarke county of the murder of a man by the name of Embury, on the Dec. 20, and sentenced to be hung, but whose sentence was commuted to life imprisonment, died this morning of consumption at the penitentiary, and was buried this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Robbed by Train Hands.

PALESTINE, March 3.—As the inward bound train for Palestine was crossing a desolate stretch of country the carriages were invaded by a troop of bandits and the passengers were robbed of \$2,400 in coin and all their jewelry. The fact that the robbery was committed while the train was at full speed and also that no stoppage was made aroused the suspicion of the victims, who discovered that the bandits were simply disguised train hands. The passengers and train men recovered their money and jewelry. The misdoers were consigned to jail in this city.

THE ENGLISH LAWMAKERS.

Gladstone on the Cleveland Street Scandal.—The Cattle Quarantine.

LONDON, March 3.—Gladstone, in the commons to-day, referred to the suspension of Henry Labouchere Friday for language regarding Lord Salisbury, in the discussion of the Cleveland street scandal, and asked that he be allowed to make the following motion: "The house deems it necessary to declare when members prefer a charge against a minister, which is denied such member ought not to be restrained from refusing to accept a denial and from persisting in the charge because the minister is a member of the house of lords." The announcement of the motion was greeted with cheers. Hon. W. H. Smith, government leader, said he would consider Gladstone's request, and let him know during the evening if he could accept the motion for tomorrow.

Long member from Dundee, asked whether the condition of American cattle justified the regulation providing for their slaughter at the port where landed. Chaplin, head of the agricultural department, replied that the American government was not complying with the conditions of the act of 1875, and therefore the present restrictions could not be relaxed. In 1887 forty seven head of cattle from America, affected with pleuro pneumonia, arrived in England.

Speaking in the lords to-day with reference to the charges made by Labouchere, Lord Salisbury explained that he met General Probyn at a railway station, and they had a very brief and hurried conversation, during which General Probyn referred to the scandal. What ever passed between them, Lord Salisbury said, he gave the house of lords his assurance that he never said a warrant was about to be issued against Somerset. Lord Salisbury declared he could not believe a man of General Probyn's character would interview him for the purpose of working out information in order to defeat justice.

The French in Africa.

PARIS, March 3.—A report has been received by the government from the governor of Senegal, stating that 800 of the king of Dahomey's troops attacked the French force under command of Tenillon Atzebo. After a fight the French repulsed the natives, killing and wounding 190. It is reported that the government intends to annex the kingdom of Dahomey to French possessions in Africa and that a large expedition will be sent to the west coast. The expedition, it is said, will be under orders to act promptly on its arrival, in order to avert the putting to death of many captives, on the occasion of the king's accession to the throne, it being the custom in Dahomey to sacrifice a large number of prisoners and Dahomians at state and religious ceremonies.

Cereals Abroad.

LONDON, Feb. 3.—The Mark Lane Express says flour is weak under heavy shipments from America. Foreign wheats are firm, excepting California, which declined 3d, owing to the enormous quantity that arrived. Corn and barley are against sellers. At today's market prices were hardened by the continuance of frost. English wheats advanced 6d; flour firm; corn stiffened.

THE STORM IS OVER.

Fine Weather Now Reported in New York and New England.

New York, March 3.—The inhabitants of this city went to bed last night fearing another blizzard, such as we had two years ago; consequently all were relieved this morning when they found the sun shining and but a inch or two of snow over the ground. A very heavy snow storm has prevailed in the greater portion of New England since yesterday. At noon dispatches indicate a practical cessation of the storm at most points, clearing and colder weather following. The snow on the level has been from twelve to eighteen inches. Highways are in a bad condition and trains are somewhat delayed, and for the first time this winter snow-plows were necessary.

Shipping Eggs to Montana.

From reliable authority we learn that there are sold in Montana no less than four car loads of eggs, four hundred cases to the car, shipped in every month during the fall, winter and early spring. This is equal to forty-eight thousand dozen, worth about fourteen thousand dollars per month, a considerable amount of money, which is being sent out of the state for a product that our farmers should supply. Farming in Montana will not have attained its full development until it supplies this demand for eggs and the \$75,000 or \$80,000 now being sent away for that commodity annually, be distributed among the tillers of our soil.—Husbandman.

On to the Springs.

The surveyors of the Great Falls and Neilhart branch of the Manitoba railroad reached Neilhart just before the present cold snap set in, says the Husbandman, and but for the severe weather they would have continued the survey to the top of the divide between Belt and Sheep creek enroute for this place. This, however, will be done as soon as the weather will permit, for, as we stated some months ago, there is no doubt but that that company has under consideration a proposition for the extension of the road to the White Sulphur Springs.

Bozenman Will Have a Boom.

BOZEMAN, Mont., March 3.—[Special].—Another important sale of real estate was made through W. A. Innes' agency to-day. The amount of money changing hands was \$18,000, the purchase price of eighty acres of what is known as the Park addition, owned by N. Story. The purchasers are E. M. Ferris and capitalists of Sioux City, Mr. Innes holds bonds on a great deal of property in Bozenman, and from the number of inquiries he daily receives leads one to believe that Bozenman is to have a boom before it is aware of it. This sale is one of the most important that has been made during the past ten years, as it brings in its wake many important possibilities for the city.

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\$250 For lot 8, block 17, Grand Avenue addition.

\$700 For lot 50x125 in desirable locality in Broadway addition.

\$800 For lot on Ninth avenue, 50x140, between Idaho and Dakota streets.

\$800 For lot on Shiland street; one-third down, six and twelve months.

\$900 For lot on Twelfth avenue, near motor.

\$900 For lot on Sixth avenue near Beattie street.

\$1000 For 100 feet on Boulder avenue, suitable for warehouse.

\$1300 For lot 50x100 in "Boston Row," on Fifth avenue, between Raleigh and Beattie street.

\$1500 For four excellent lots in Broadway Addition; \$500 down.

\$1800 For desirable lot 12x100 on Benton avenue, near Edwards street.

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\$2300 For five-room brick and corner lot on Eleventh avenue, \$600 down.

\$2400 For five room frame on Rodney street, city water, sewer, large lot.

\$2800 For seven-room brick on Rodney street, bath, elegant grounds.

\$3400 For ten rooms within eight minutes walk of court house, good lot, sewer, connected with both Hale and Woolston systems; \$1200 down.

\$3300 For seven room frame, corner to Sixth and Hoback.

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